

SPECIAL MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL
March 26, 2008

Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Audrey P. Beck Building.

Mayor Paterson asked for a moment of silence in memory of Bob Cook who passed away on Monday. The Mayor noted that Mr. Cook was an active member of the community and was the type of person you want active in your town.

I. ROLL CALL

- Present: Blair, Clouette, Duffy, Haddad, Nesbitt, Paterson, Paulhus, Schaefer
Absent: Koehn

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

- No Comments

III. NEW BUSINESS

- Jeff Smith, Director of Finance, reported that at last evening's Region 19 Board meeting the Board requested the superintendent decrease the budget by \$200,000 to \$250,000.

Cherie Trahan, Comptroller, distributed and reviewed the changes to the following budget document pages: 65, 83, 98, 99, 113, 117, 121 and 145.

The following budget items were discussed:

1. General Government

2. Public Safety

Flag – Protective Services – Fire Department

3. Town-wide

4. Revenues

Flag – Page 40, Revenue Budget Summary by Object- License and Permits
Information will be updated in the third quarter financial statements.

Flag – Page 46, Revenue Budget Summary by Object – Miscellaneous

Prior to passage of the budget the to-date interest income will be provided to the Council.

5. Operating Transfers Out

Flag- Page 165, Expenditure Budget – Other Financing Uses

The report from the Downtown Partnership itemizing all town contributions to the project is expected to be completed sometime in April and will be presented to the Council.

The draft report of the Management Study for the Community Center is currently being reviewed by staff.

6. Debt Services

7. Internal Service Funds

Flag- Page 218, Internal Service Funds – Health Insurance

An update on the status of this fund will be included in the third quarter financial statements.

IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC

Betty Wassmundt, Old Turnpike Road, asked questions regarding the percentage of health care premiums paid by employees of the Town and how the amount of employee benefits listed in the budget are calculated for individuals. Comptroller Cherie Trahan explained the methodology to her.

Mr. Paulhus moved and Ms. Blair seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk